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THE MULTIVERSE WAS DESTROYED!

THE HEROES OF EARTH-616 AND EARTH-1610 WERE POWERLESS TO SAVE IT!

NOW, ALL THAT REMAINS...IS BATTLEWORLD!

A MASSIVE, PATCHWORK PLANET COMPOSED OF THE FRAGMENTS OF WORLDS THAT NO LONGER EXIST, MAINTAINED BY THE IRON WILL OF ITS GOD AND MASTER, VICTOR VON DOOM!

EACH DOMAIN HOLDING ITS OWN MYSTERIES AND ENCHANTMENTS, BUT NONE MORE SAVAGE THAN...

SECRET WARS

GREENLAND

Mud Kingdom

Barrens of the Tribal Hulks

Gamma Lake

Fang Mountain

Badlands

Port Banner

Sea of Monsters

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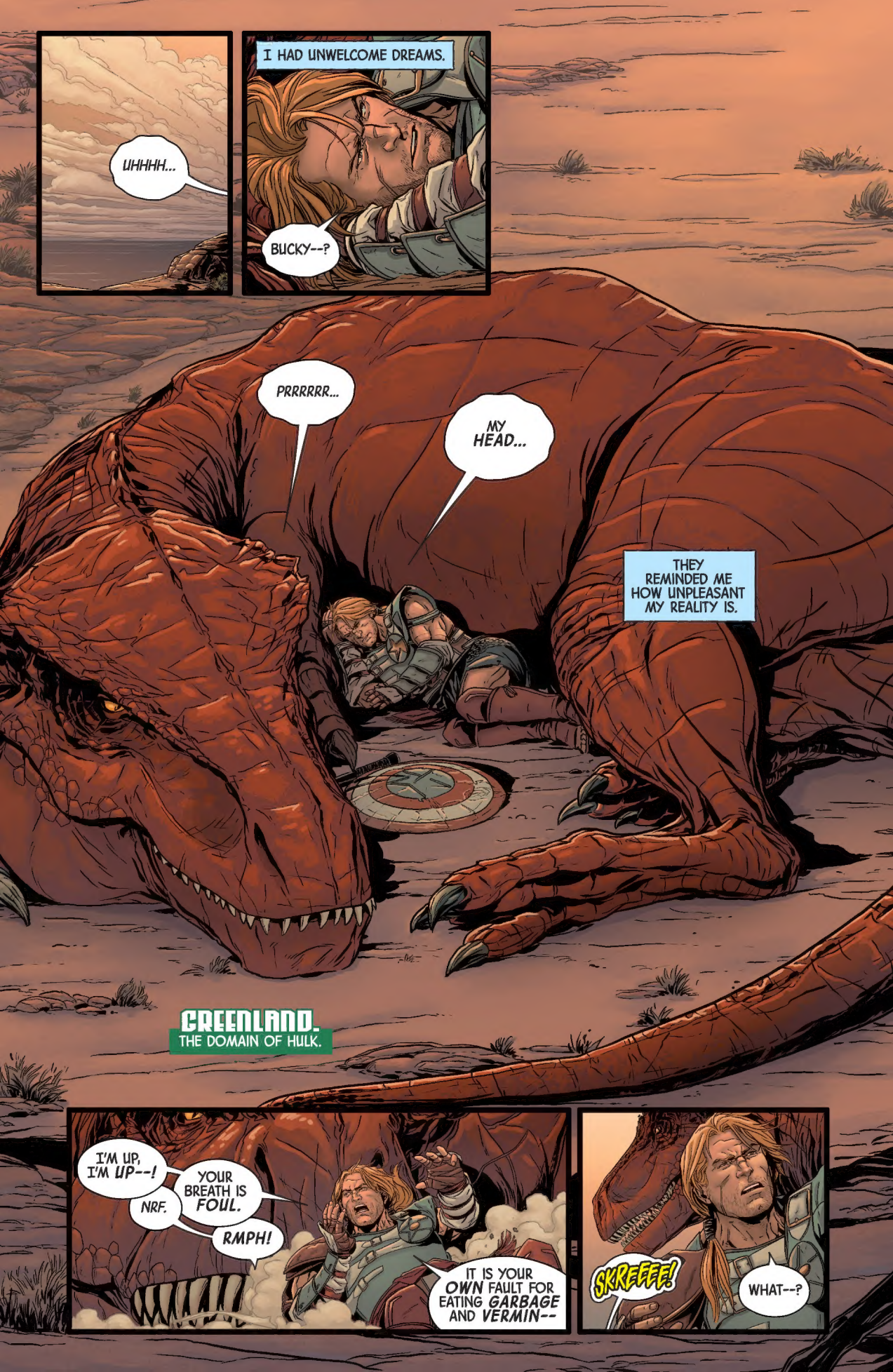
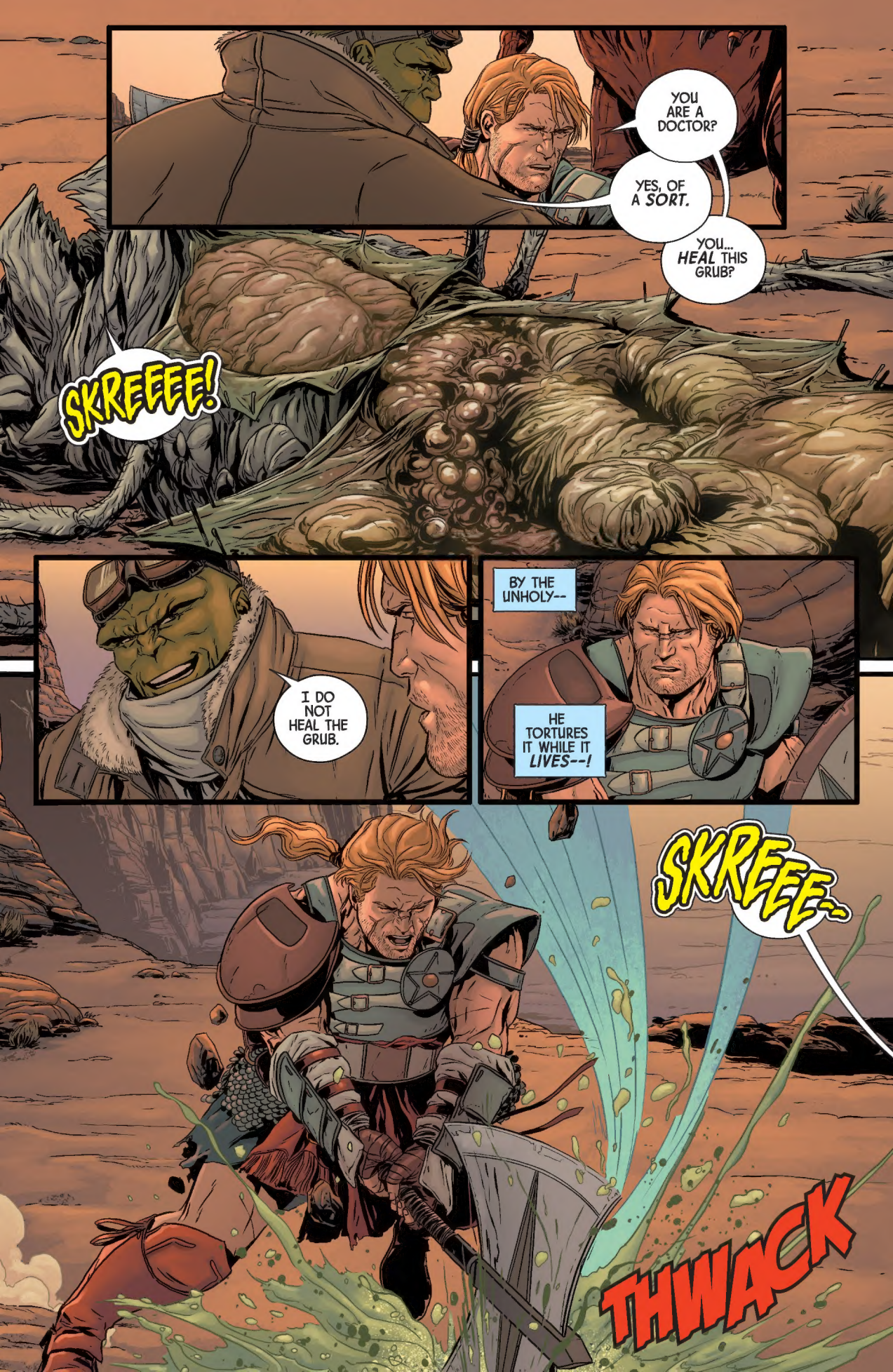
PLANET HULK

PART TWO: THE PATH


UHHHH...
I HAD UNWELCOME DREAMS.
BUCKY--?
PRRRRRR...
MY HEAD...
THEY REMINDED ME HOW UNPLEASANT MY REALITY IS.
GREENLAND.
THE DOMAIN OF HULK.
I'M UP, I'M UP--!
NRF.
YOUR BREATH IS FOUL.
RMPH!
IT IS YOUR OWN FAULT FOR EATING GARBAGE AND VERMIN--
SKREEEE!
WHAT--?

SKREEEE!
YOU DO NOT KILL ME?
I DO NOT KILL YOU.
YOU DO NOT CHAIN ME?
I DO NOT CHAIN YOU.
WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?

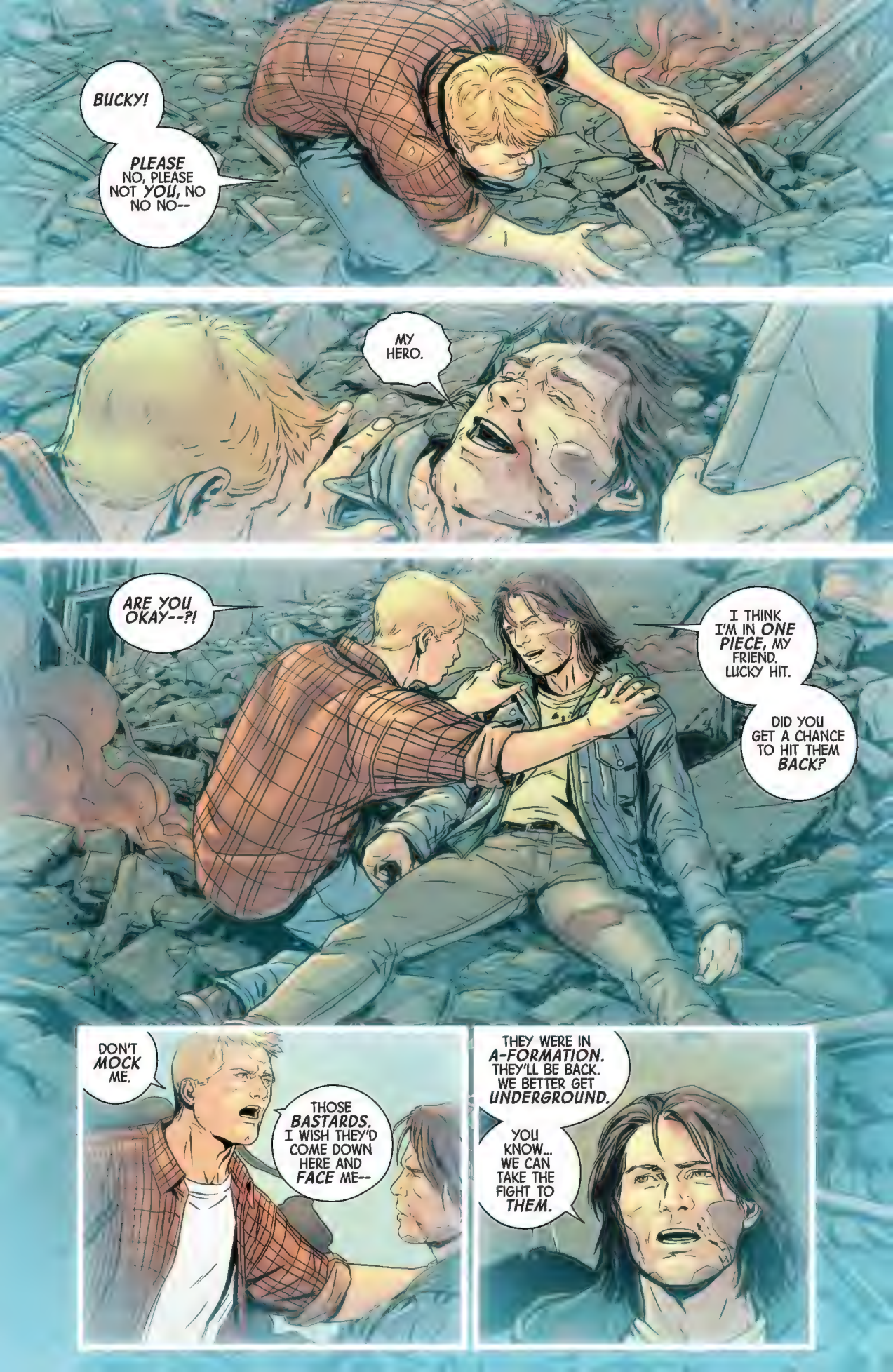
YOU'RE A STEVEN ROGERS, ALL RIGHT. YOU CAN ALWAYS TELL BY THE EYES.
I ONCE KNEW A CAPTAIN WITH A ROBOTIC ARM. I KNEW ONE WITH THE MUTANT GENE. I KNEW ONE WITH WINGS.
BUT YOU ARE THE FIRST CAPTAIN I'VE SEEN WITH A DINOSAUR.
DOOM HAS THE SOUL OF A POET, SENDING YOU TO ME, DOES HE NOT? A TWISTED, UNHOLY POET.
I AM AN ADVENTURER, A SOLDIER OF FORTUNE, A SCHOLAR.
I AM TO GUIDE YOU TO THE MUD KINGDOM AND THE RED KING.
CALL ME-- DOC GREEN.
THE RED KING. HE HOLDS BUCKY CAPTIVE.
SKREEEE!


YOU ARE A DOCTOR?
YES, OF A SORT.
YOU... HEAL THIS GRUB?
SKREEEE!
I DO NOT HEAL THE GRUB.
BY THE UNHOLY--
HE TORTURES IT WHILE IT LIVES--!
SKREEE--
THWACK

ALREADY, YOU RUIN MY FUN, CAPTAIN.
EVEN MONSTERS DESERVE MERCY.
DON'T GIVE ME A REASON TO FORGET THAT.
THIS LAND IS SATURATED BY GAMMA, CAPTAIN. YOU WON'T LIVE LONG ON TRITE VIRTUE.
KHHAK!
GRAAAAAWL!
TELL YOUR BEAST TO BACK OFF, OR YOU'LL BE HULK GRUEL BEFORE SUNDOWN.
YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW TO SURVIVE HERE.
YOU MAY NOT LIKE ME, CAPTAIN--
BUT YOU NEED ME TO FIND THE MUD KINGDOM. YOU NEED ME--

YEARS AGO.
A FORGOTTEN KINGDOM.
"--TO FIND BUCKY."
BUCKY, WAIT!

DON'T RUN TOO FAR AHEAD--!
HURRY, STEVE! WE CAN'T--
THAB DOOM


BUCKY!
PLEASE NO, PLEASE NOT YOU, NO NO NO--
MY HERO.
ARE YOU OKAY--?!
I THINK I'M IN ONE PIECE, MY FRIEND. LUCKY HIT.
DID YOU GET A CHANCE TO HIT THEM BACK?
DON'T MOCK ME.
THOSE BASTARDS. I WISH THEY'D COME DOWN HERE AND FACE ME--
THEY WERE IN A-FORMATION. THEY'LL BE BACK. WE BETTER GET UNDERGROUND.
YOU KNOW... WE CAN TAKE THE FIGHT TO THEM.

ENLIST? WE'RE A COUPLE OF BEANPOLES, BUCK!
THERE'S NO ROOM FOR US DURING WARTIME.
WARTIME IS THE ONLY TIME.
I DON'T WANT TO GET LAUGHED OFF THE BATTLEFIELD.
THERE'S ANOTHER OPTION FOR GUYS LIKE US.
AW, BUCK... IT'S A PIPE DREAM.
I KNOW IT'S RISKY, BUT--
DON'T YOU WANT TO FIGHT, STEVE?
JOIN THE SUPER SOLDIER PROGRAM NOW!
DON'T YOU WANT TO DO YOUR PART?
"ANY MAN'S DEATH DIMINISHES ME..."
...BECAUSE I AM INVOLVED IN MANKIND, AND THEREFORE NEVER SEND TO KNOW...

...FOR WHOM THE BELLS TOLLS; IT TOLLS FOR THEE.
AH, CAPTAIN, IT IS TRULY A PLEASURE TO HAVE A TRAVELING COMPANION.
MANY YEARS I HAVE BEEN ON GREENLAND WITH NOTHING BUT THESE HULKS FOR CONVERSATION.
DO YOU KNOW THE AUTHOR OF THE VERSE I QUOTED?
...
I AM NOT MUCH FOR READING.
IT WAS WRITTEN BY GOD DOOM, OF COURSE.

THE CREATOR OF ALL WE SEE, INCLUDING THIS INFERNAL JUNGLE.
WE'LL TRAVEL THIS WAY UNTIL THE RIVER CUTS LEFT. WE'LL CUT RIGHT, AROUND THE GAMMA MOUNTAINS.
IT WILL TAKE MORE TIME BUT WE'LL AVOID THE BARRENS, AND THE TRIBAL HULKS.
AND THEN...WE ARRIVE AT THE MUD KINGDOM.
AFTER THAT, YOU KILL THE RED KING, AND THE MISSION FOR DOOM IS COMPLETE.
AND ASSUMING ALL GOES TO PLAN, WE FREE YOUR BOSOM BUCKY.
AND THEN WHAT, CAPTAIN?
HUH?
YOU WILL HAVE YOUR WARBOUND, YOU WILL HAVE YOUR DINOSAUR, AND YOUR FREEDOM, AS GRANTED BY DOOM!
A WORLD OF POSSIBILITY AND PROMISE! WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH IT, CAPTAIN?
UH...
WE FIGHT.
THE THREE OF US, WE FIGHT FOR WHAT JUSTICE WE CAN. WE FIGHT AGAINST DOOM.
BWA HA HA HA HA HA!

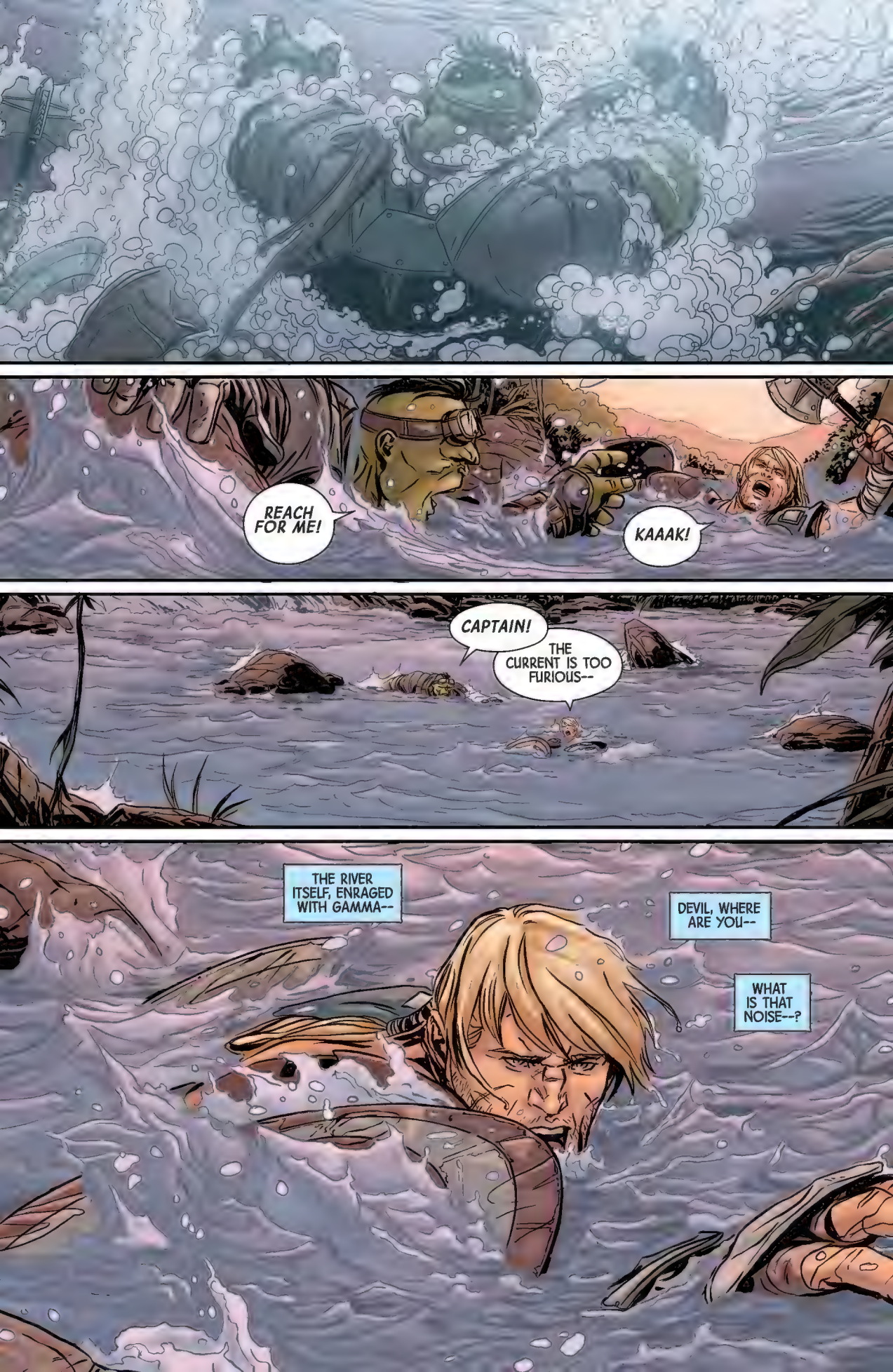
GRRAAAWR...
OH, SHEATHE YOUR ANGER, LORD REX. I KNOW YOU ALL TOO WELL, CAPTAIN.
ALLOW ME TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE COUNSEL--
IT IS THIS WORLD OF BATTLE AND STRIFE THAT CHANGES US. NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND.
I DO NOT NEED YOUR COUNSEL.
AH, NOBLE CAPTAIN, YOU ARE A PIECE OF MY HEART. WE ARE NOT THAT DIFFERENT. ONLY, I HAVE SEEN THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS WORLD, AND YOU HAVE NOT.
OR YOU HAVE, AND YOU CHOOSE TO IGNORE IT.
WHO IS THE ONLY GOD OF THIS WORLD, CAPTAIN?
...DOOM?
DOOM IS THE AUTHOR OF ALL THINGS.
BUT WAR IS THE AUTHOR OF DOOM.
ROOAAAR--!

HSSSSSSS--!
WHAT IS IT, DEVIL?
THE PLANT!
HAROOOOO--!
SCHWAACK
AH, A DOOMICUS HULKICUS CARNIVOIRAE...
THE HULK-EATER PLANT. SEE, CAPTAIN? GAMMA REVEALS MANY WONDERS AND MIRACLES...
HOW IS YOUR STEED?
GRRRRR--
THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE OUT THERE...

OVER THERE!
BRAAAAASH
HAROOOOOO!
BULL HULKS!
MUST BE MATING SEASON!
LOOK OUT!

RAAAAUGH!
RUN!
EEERAAAA!
KROMP
GAROOOO!

ROAAAAR!
GREEAAA!
KARAKA
HRNNF!
HRNNF!
HRNNF!
HE WON'T STOP!
MOVE, CAPTAIN!
WHERE'S DEVIL--?!
JUST GO!
ALMOST THERE--!
JUMP!


REACH FOR ME!
KAAAK!
CAPTAIN!
THE CURRENT IS TOO FURIOUS--
THE RIVER ITSELF, ENRAGED WITH GAMMA--
DEVIL, WHERE ARE YOU--
WHAT IS THAT NOISE--?

GET READY--!

KOPPFF!
GAAAAASP!
DEVIL!
RAAAOOO!
IS THAT SUPPOSED TO SUMMON HIM?
IT'S HIS DEVIL CALL--
BEWARE, CAPTAIN...WE ARE NOT ALONE!
WHAT DO YOU-- HEY!
THERE YOU ARE.

GRAAAUUGH!
COME OUT AND PLAY.
TO BE CONTINUED!

T-MAIL

DEVIL DINOSAUR & MAIL, BOY

I'm a 68 year old fan, I mention this only so you know us older fans appreciate your continued effort to entertain us who have pretty much "seen it all". I'm a Hulk fan that fell by the "wayside " as life set in and paying bills and feeding family became the focus. I was able to change that once the kids started their on families and the first Fantastic Four movie brought my interest back to Marvel's universe. As I was catching up on FF, I saw a great Hulk cover, I bought it, enjoyed it and in the next month or two Planet Hulk happened. My goodness gracious how I fell into that great story and artwork! Now back with Hulk and many others (I already miss the FF). I can't read all the comics that led up to this Secret Wars arc, so I stay with my favorites. This planet Hulk is so far out there, after the first issue, I'm hooked and waiting for number 2. One of my favorite Kirby creations Devil Dinosaur is back with Captain America on his back! This is just too crazy to ignore. This old man loves the idea, some crazy things don't catch me but this one does. I can still truly say MMM! Thank you for your continued crazy ideas.

Gerald Roper
Jacksonville, Florida.

ROAAAAAR!! GERRRRALD! I smell darkness and death. I smell HULK EVERYWHERE! Yet your letter has given me a moment of peace in this world of war and I thank you.

I'm not sure if this is a place for fans to write or what, but I found it and am using it lol. I just finished #1 of PLANET HULK, and I must say that I loved it. The beginning was almost like a film with a crazy opening action sequence, an ominous line by one of the hulks, then turn the page and BOOM two pages of the big green title. Loved that. The whole thing was great. I'm new to comics and have been reading a lot of the Secret Wars stuff, and so far this is my favorite of the individual stories stemming from Secret Wars. You guys do a great job, and I can't wait for the next issue. Thanks!!!!!!

Daniel Veuleman

HRAAAAAUGH!! I crush ALL between my powerful JAWS, I demolish BONE between my TEETH, and yet...you, I like you. You may come over to my cave... for a bar-b-que...of HULK.

The idea of Planet Hulk seemed like a great concept, but still kind of dumb. Having read the first issue I am fully prepared to eat those words, but I will admit I was left with an unsatisfied feeling. Imagining Steve Rogers riding on Devil Dinosaur hacking and slashing at hulked out beings and creatures, sounded downright awesome. I was not disappointed, I just felt that it was a bit short (or maybe I have no idea what I'm talking about). Either way it's a good read and I'm looking forward to the rest of the story.

John Wina

You eat those words, and I WILL EAT ALL HULK! This land is corrupt and decrepit. Filth in the air. Filth EVERYWHERE. But I find grace within my heart when I reflect on your words. I will print them out and carry them with me as I SLAUGHTER A THOUSAND HULKS WITHOUT HESITATION!!

Wow. Give the team who made this idea into a comic the Nobel Peace Prize RIGHT NOW!! I already knew that the Secret Wars Planet Hulk comic would probably be my favorite....but after just reading about 3 pages I found myself already calling my brother to stand by and wait until I finished reading it so he could read it himself right when I finished. This is my favorite comic ever. I mean Cap fighting an army of Savage Hulks with Devil Dinosaur... How did I not have a heart attack from the amount of awesomeness...? Thanks for the greatest book I have ever read! You all rock!!!

P.S. Having the game host for Killiseum be Arcade was so cool and creative as well!!

Nicholas Ricci
Walpole, Massachusetts

NICHOLAS! GROAAAAAAUGH!! I do not know how you did not have a heart attack. My heart is THE SIZE OF YOUR ENTIRE BODY! I gnash my teeth at pathetic mammals such as yourself. I rend them limb from limb! No massacre escapes notice! No slaughter goes mourned! DEATH IS THE WAY AND DEATH IS THE WORD! However, Nicholas, I must admit – you rock as well.

Devil Dinosaur

Assistant Editaurus Rex
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I AM FULL OF RAGE AND WAR! But if you think you can soothe my savage soul, please do write to mondomarvel@marvel.com and mark them "okay to print".

NEXT: You're Gonna Need a Bigger Rex